DELAWARE HOMELAND SECURITY TERRORISM PREPAREDNESS WORKING GROUP

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 15, 2012

- 1. Edward Lee, on behalf of Chairman James E. Turner, convened the Delaware Homeland Security Terrorism Preparedness Working Group (DHSTPWG) meeting at 1:30 p.m. in the Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) Training Room. The following documents were provided to meeting participants:
  - a. Meeting Notice & Agenda
  - b. DHSTPWG Meeting Minutes from August 13, 2012
  - c. Homeland Security Grant Program Monthly Report from September 2012
  - d. Homeland Security Grant Program Monthly Report from October 2012
  - e. Homeland Security Grant Program Purchasing Report from August 2012
  - f. Homeland Security Grant Program Purchasing Report from September 2012
  - g. Training and Exercise Subcommittee Meeting Minutes from September 5, 2012
  - h. Training and Exercise Subcommittee Meeting Minutes from October 3, 2012
  - i. Homeland Security Grant Program FY10 Project Processing Timeframes
  - j. John Deere Important Safety Notice
- 2. August 13, 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved. (Motion: Allen Metheny; Second: Mayor Carleton Carey, Passed Unanimously)
- 3. Old Business
  - a. Subcommittee Reports
    - 1) Training and Exercise Subcommittee (Robert Newnam, Chairman) Robert Newnam, Delaware State Fire School, briefed the T&E Subcommittee meeting minutes from September and October have been provided to the group. The following training requests have been approved: Emergency Management Annual Conference (\$2,325.00), National Tactical Officers Association Conference (\$22,152.00), International Association of Emergency Managers Conference (\$3,512.00), NYSIC Intelligence Summit (\$699.00), MSP Search & Rescue Dive Training (\$1,262.00), International School of Tactical Medicine (\$13,834.50), Specialized Tactics for Operational Rescue & Medicine (STORM) Course (\$2,815.22) and Emergency Response to Excavation Emergency Equipment Rental (\$2,000.00). The following exercise request was approved: Greater Dover & Greater Wilmington Cyber Security Tabletop Exercise (\$2,000.00). The next meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. at the Delaware State Fire School.

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2) Funding Subcommittee – (Allen Metheny, Chairman) – Allen Metheny, Delaware Volunteer Fireman's Association (DVFA), stated the Funding Subcommittee did not meet in September; the last meeting was held on August 13, 2012. During the month of September, Allen Metheny and Jen Dittman approved minor changes to spend the remaining funding from FY08 & FY09. The next meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. in the DEMA Training Room.

## b. Equipment Procurement Progress (FY2008-FY2011)

Jen Dittman, DEMA, explained the HSGP Monthly Report from October 2012 contains the status of Disciplines' projects. She advised that FY08 and FY09 closed September 30, 2012. Currently, we are waiting for the dust to settle to get a clear picture of where we stand. Please get subgrant reimbursements submitted as soon as possible. The deadline for FY10 is July 31, 2013.

#### c. Equipment Distribution Status

Jen Dittman expressed thanks to the subcommittee for making sure that equipment is picked up in a timely manner.

## 4. New Business:

a. <u>FY10 Orders & Sub-grant Deadlines</u> – Jen Dittman advised the Working Group of the handout which provides project processing timeframes for FY2010. All Environmental & Historic Preservation (EHP) Review documentation must be received by October 31, 2012. All Subgrant Applications are due by October 31, 2012. All specs for equipment purchases made by DEMA must be submitted by December 31, 2012. All subgrants will be changed to reflect a new end date of March 31, 2012. The remainder of the fiscal year will be used by DEMA to work on reconciliation and preparation for grant close out. Robert Harrison, DEMA, briefed the State of Delaware's financial system shuts down every June and advised that he would like to know what is remaining to reprogram which is why we have built in a cushion. Please get all FY08 & FY09 documentation in as soon as possible.

Submission of equipment specs for procurement by DEMA, sub-grants and reallocation requests have a deadline of December 31, 2012. (Motion: Robert Newnam; Second: Bruce VonGoerres, Passed Unanimously)

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- b. <u>THIRA & SPR</u> Will Hayes briefed the THIRA kick off meeting held in August went well. During the meeting, stakeholders developed five scenarios to use in developing a set of capability targets for each Core Capability: Cyber Attack, Active Shooter Incident, Pandemic, Severe Coastal Storm and a Hazmat Incident. DEMA leadership and staff have developed preliminary capability targets. The stakeholders will meet on October 22, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in the DEMA training room to review, revise and finalize them. The THIRA & SPR are due to FEMA on December 31, 2012; however, DEMA would like to have it completed by November 30, 2012.
- c. <u>John Deere Handout</u> Jen Dittman advised the subcommittee there is a recall on certain John Deere equipment and for more information look at the provided handout. Also, please pass the message along to anyone it may impact.

### 5. Open to Floor:

Kurt Reuther, Department of Safety & Homeland Security (DSHS), stated funding is reduced and in the future, the Working Group needs to allocate funding very carefully. Some disciplines can try to obtain State funding for projects; however, the State is currently preparing budgets now, so it is too late for FY13.

Allen Metheny stated he has been advising the Fire Service to do what they can, but it won't be much. The County government needs to take responsibility.

Joe Wessels, Delaware League of Local Governments (DLLG), suggested making a list of budget needs and submit it to the Joint Finance Committee. Joe also suggested that a handout be provided outlining the State and County budget process(s) for those who are not familiar with how things work.

Robert Harrison explained that funding issues need to be included with the FY2013 application and explain how the group, as a whole, is taking a hit due to the reduced grant funding.

Dave Carpenter, New Castle County Office of Emergency Management (NCC OEM), advised the Federal government provided funding in the past to develop additional capabilities, but now that funding is reduced, the County, State and Local agencies have to maintain and sustain those capabilities but cannot. Dave expressed thanks to the DEMA Terrorism Preparedness, Logistics and Fiscal Sections for all the hard work that has been done over the past couple of months to close out FY07, FY08 and FY09.

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6. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Next Meeting - the next meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. - DEMA Training Room.

JAMES E. TURNER, III

Chairman, Delaware Homeland Security Terrorism Preparedness Working Group

Attachments: Attendance Roster

Note: All Meeting Handouts are available upon request.

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| MEETING ATTENDANCE ROSTER                  |   |
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| Name                                       | Agency  |
| Voting Members                             |   |
| Edward Lee                                 | Chairman (Proxy)                                      |
| Monroe Hudson                              | Delaware State Police, LE Co-Lead                     |
| Colonel Dallas Wingate                     | Delaware National Guard, DNG Lead                     |
| Mayor Carleton Carey                       | Delaware League of Local Governments, GA Lead         |
| Robert Newnam                              | Delaware Fire School, T&E Lead                        |
| Absent                                     | Police Chiefs Council                                 |
| Dave Carpenter, Jr.                        | NCC Emergency Management                              |
| Absent                                     | KC Emergency Management                               |
| Absent                                     | Wilmington Emergency Management, EMA Lead             |
| Absent                                     | SC Emergency Management, SEMA Lead                    |
| Sharon Duca                                | City of Dover, PW Lead                                |
| Suzanne Raab-Long                          | DE Healthcare Association, HC Lead                    |
| Tim Sexton                                 | DHSS, Division of Public Health, PH Lead              |
| Ellen Malenfant                            | DNREC, HZ Lead  |
| Absent                                     | Public Safety Communications, PSC Lead                |
| Dave Mick                                  | Emergency Medical Services, EMS Lead                  |
| Sandra Alexander                           | Department of Technology & Information, CS Lead       |
| Absent                                     | Department of Agriculture, AG Lead                    |
| Bob George                                 | Citizen Corps, CCP Lead                               |
| Allen Metheny                              | Delaware Volunteer Firefighter's Association, FS Lead |
| Absent                                     | Department of Motor Vehicles, DMV Lead                |
| James Hosfelt                              | Dover Police Department, LE Local Lead                |
| Bruce VonGoerres                           | Delaware State Police, LE Training & Exercise Lead    |
| Working Group Members & Guests             |   |
| Kurt Reuther                               | Department of Safety & Homeland Security              |
| Bobby Schoonover                           | SC Emergency Medical Services                         |
| Joe Wessels                                | Delaware League of Local Governments                  |
| Mike Chionchio                             | Office of the State Fire Marshal                      |
| Tim Cooper                                 | DHSS, Division of Public Health                       |
| Delaware Emergency Management Agency Staff |   |
| Robert Pflaumer                            | Training Administrator                                |
| Robert Harrison                            | Fiscal Administrator                                  |
| Jennifer Dittman                           | Terrorism Preparedness Supervisor                     |
| Will Hayes                                 | Planner   |
| Beth Moran                                 | Planner   |
| Jim Cubbage                                | NIMS/IMT Coordinator                                  |
| Ron Price                                  |   |